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Attorney Docket No. 746220.0003 (58763.000003)  
Client Ref. No. 3270PCT/US (PP4)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of: )  
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Serial No.: 09/722,587 ) Examiner: To Be Assigned  
Filed: November 28, 2000 )

For: PROCESS FOR DETERMINATION OF THE ACTIVITY OF A SUBSTANCE USING  
*AN IN VITRO FUNCTIONAL TEST*

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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[ ]	English translation of application and Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f))	\$
[X ]	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, copy of International Search Report, and 15 references	\$
[X ]	Written Assertion of Small Entity Status and Request for Refund of Excess Fees Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28	\$

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**WRITTEN ASSERTION OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
AND REQUEST FOR REFUND OF EXCESS FEES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28**

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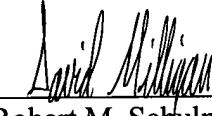
The written assertion is hereby made that this application is entitled to small entity status, thus entitling Applicants to pay reduced fees in accordance with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules.

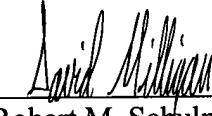
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